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24 June 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

FROM : Launie M. Ziebell
Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT : DCI Affidavit re Black Panther Party Complaint

Paragraph four of subject affidavit relates the fact that the DCI Executive Registry maintains a record of all documents received and sent by the DCI, and further that the record shows that no documents concerning the plaintiffs or matters alleged in the complaint were received or sent by the DCI during his tenure in office. I discussed the meaning of the language and the purpose of it with Mr. Ben Evans of the Executive Secretariat. After reviewing the facts on record, Mr. Evans confirmed the facts alleged in paragraph four and agreed that the accuracy of paragraph four could be affirmed to the DCI.

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(CA #76-2205)

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY, <u>et al.</u> ,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	Civil Action No. 76-2205
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EDWARD LEVI, <u>et al.</u> ,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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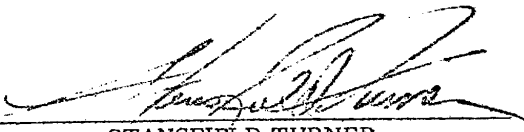
AFFIDAVIT

Stansfield Turner, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) and in that capacity am the executive head of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). My term of office began on 9 March 1977. I had previously served, continuously, in official positions with the United States Navy since being commissioned in that service in 1946.
2. I am familiar with the complaint filed in this action in which I am named a defendant in my personal capacity as well as my official capacity as DCI.
3. I have not personally been involved in, nor do I have any personal knowledge of the matters alleged in the complaint in this case, or any governmental actions that may have been taken with respect either to the individually named plaintiffs or to the Black Panther Party or its officers, members, supporters or sympathizers, either during the period of my term as DCI or during my previous years of service with the United States Government.

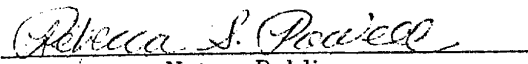
4. Additionally, in preparation for executing this affidavit, the records of the Executive Secretariat of the CIA for the period of my tenure as DCI were reviewed. The Executive Secretariat maintains records of all official documents sent or received by me. It was determined that for this period there is no record of any documents concerning plaintiffs or any matters alleged in the complaint having been sent to me or having been originated by me, except for documents pertaining to the conduct of this litigation.

5. If, contrary to my recollection and contrary to the negative results of the review of the Executive Secretariat records, I did have some conversations with CIA or other United States Government officials or did see any documents relating to the subject matter of this action, such conversations or reading of documents would have been in the context of my official responsibilities.


STANSFIELD TURNER
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF FAIRFAX)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of June 1977.


Notary Public

My commission expires 20 March 1981.

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